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1. FRANK CRAWFORD, DIRECTOR GATT SECTION, DEPARTMENT OF OVERSEAS TRADE, IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY INQUIRY AS INSTRUCTED, STATED THAT GOA DOES NOT IN FACT HAVE A VIEW ON QUESTION OF SECTORAL APPROACH. HE SAID ALTHOUGH HE AWARE OF AND INTERESTED IN PROPOSALS ON THIS SUBJECT HE HAD NOT YET HAD OPPORTUNITY TO GO INTO MATTER IN DETAIL.

2. IN FURTHER DISCUSSION CRAWFORD EXPRESSED OPINION CANADIAN SUGGESTION NOT REALLY DIRECTLY CONTRARY TO U.S. VIEW AS IT CALLS FOR EXAMINATION OF SPECIFIC SECTORS ONLY FOR "ILLUSTRATIVE " PURPOSES. PRESUMED OBJECTIVE, LIKE THAT OF U.S. PROPOSAL, WOULD BE TO IDENTIFY PRINCIPLES, DETERMINE FEASIBILITY, ETC., OF APPROACH.

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3. EMBOFF STRESSED U.S. DESIRE TO WORK OUT BROADER ASPECTS BEFORE INVOLVING GROUP IN PARTICULARS. ALTHOUGH PARA 3 OF REFTEL WAS REPEATED VERBATIM TO HIM, CRAWFORD SAID HE NEVERTHELESS NOT REALLY CLEAR AS TO WHAT U.S. WAS PROPOSING. HE SAID HE DID NOT OPPOSE U.S. VIEW BUT WOULD WELCOME SPECIFIC DETAILS ON IT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: ANY AVAILABLE BACKGROUND ON U.S. PROPOSAL AND OBJECTION TO CANADIAN SUGGESTION FOR USE IN DISCUSSION WITH CRAWFORD AS APPROPRIATE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.
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